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November 30, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**COMMERCIAL SEX VENUE PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITY PERMIT FEE – AMENDMENT
TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE TITLE 8 (All Districts) (3 Votes)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING, YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve adoption of the attached ordinance amending Los Angeles County Title 8 to establish a permit fee related to the Commercial Sex Venue public health facility permit.
2. Introduce, waive reading and place attached ordinance on subsequent agenda for adoption.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of the ordinance will establish the permit fee for the public health facility permit, required of all Commercial Sex Venues (CSVs), in accordance with the CSV ordinance approved by the Board and by the City of Los Angeles.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The annual fee is recommended to be \$1088, and has been calculated based on the staffing necessary to complete four quarterly inspections per year of CSVs. The fee has been reviewed and approved by the Auditor-Controller.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

On September 14, 2004, the Board adopted county ordinance No. 2004-0050 establishing that all commercial sex venues shall obtain a public health facility permit and shall be subject to health regulations. This ordinance became effective October 14, 2004 and is in effect in all of the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and in those cities within the county's boundaries that adopt it.

The Los Angeles City Council, at its meeting held on March 25, 2005, adopted Ordinance 176562, authorizing enforcement of the County ordinance in the City of Los Angeles. This ordinance became effective on May 11, 2005.

On November 10, 2005, the Department promulgated the final regulations implementing the ordinance and it is now necessary to establish a fee for the permit.

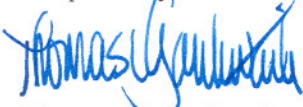
CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECT):

If successful, the project will reduce the spread of HIV and other STDs by reducing high risk behavior within commercial sex venues

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends the Los Angeles County Code, Title 8 - Consumer Protection and Business Regulations, Chapter 8.04 to add a permit fee for Commercial Sex Venues.

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By 
ALLISON MORSE
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Requested 11/4/2005
Revised 11/7/2005

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Title 8 - Consumer Protection and Business Regulations of the Los Angeles County Code, to establish a permit fee related to the Commercial Sex Venue public health facility permit.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8.04.086 is hereby added to read as follows:

8.04.086 Commercial sex venue.

"Commercial sex venue" is as defined in Section 11.04.310.

SECTION 2. Section 8.04.720 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8.04.720 Fee schedule.

Animal keeper:

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| Category I | \$236.00 |
| Category II | 293.00 |
| Category III | 355.00 |

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| <u>Commercial sex venue</u> | <u>1,088.00</u> |
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Commercial laundry:

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| Less than 4,000 square feet | 154.00 |
| More than 4,000 square feet | 338.00 |

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